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C2 9. (Amended) The pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 15,
wherein the pharmaceutical composition is suitable for the treatment of bone, cartilage
and connective tissues or teeth.

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C3 13. (Amended) An isolated protein of the TGF- β family encoded by an
isolated DNA molecule which comprises a sequence selected from the group consisting
of:

- a) the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:1,
- b) a part of SEQ ID NO:1 which encodes the mature protein,
- c) a nucleotide sequence which encodes the amino acid sequence according to
SEQ ID NO:2,
- d) a nucleotide sequence which encodes a portion of the amino acid sequence
according to SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said portion is the mature protein,
- e) the sequence according to a), b), c) or d) which encodes at least a
functional part of the protein of the TGF- β family, wherein the functional part maintains
essentially the same osteo-inductive and/or mitogenic activity of the mature protein, and
- f) a nucleotide sequence which encodes a portion of the amino acid
sequence according to SEQ ID NO:2, wherein said portion is the signal or propeptide
part.

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C4 15. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one
protein according to claim 6, further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier,
auxiliary substance, diluent or filler.

C5 21 23. (Amended) An isolated protein of the TGF- β family encoded by a DNA molecule which comprises the part of SEQ ID NO:1 which encodes the mature protein and further comprises nucleotide sequences coding for at least one of signal peptide or propeptide parts.

Please add new claims 25-27 as follows.

23-25. The protein according to claim 13, wherein the functional part is a signal peptide, propeptide or mature part of the protein.--

24 26. The pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 15, for application in cases where angiogenesis is advantageous or desired.--

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D8 25 27. A pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one protein according to claim 13, wherein the protein is contained on and/or in a natural or synthetically prepared matrix material.--

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following before the term "DESCRIPTION" at page 1 of the specification.

C7 -- This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/288,508, filed August 10, 1994, now issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,994,094. --